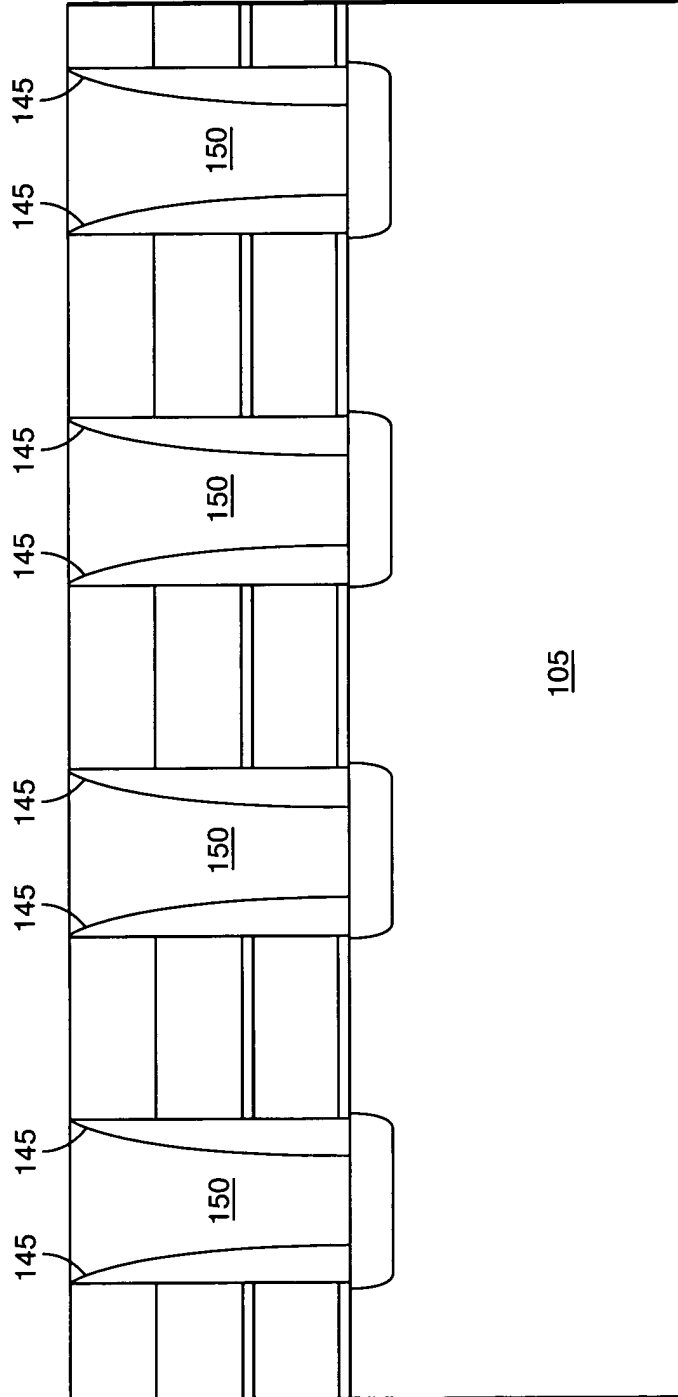


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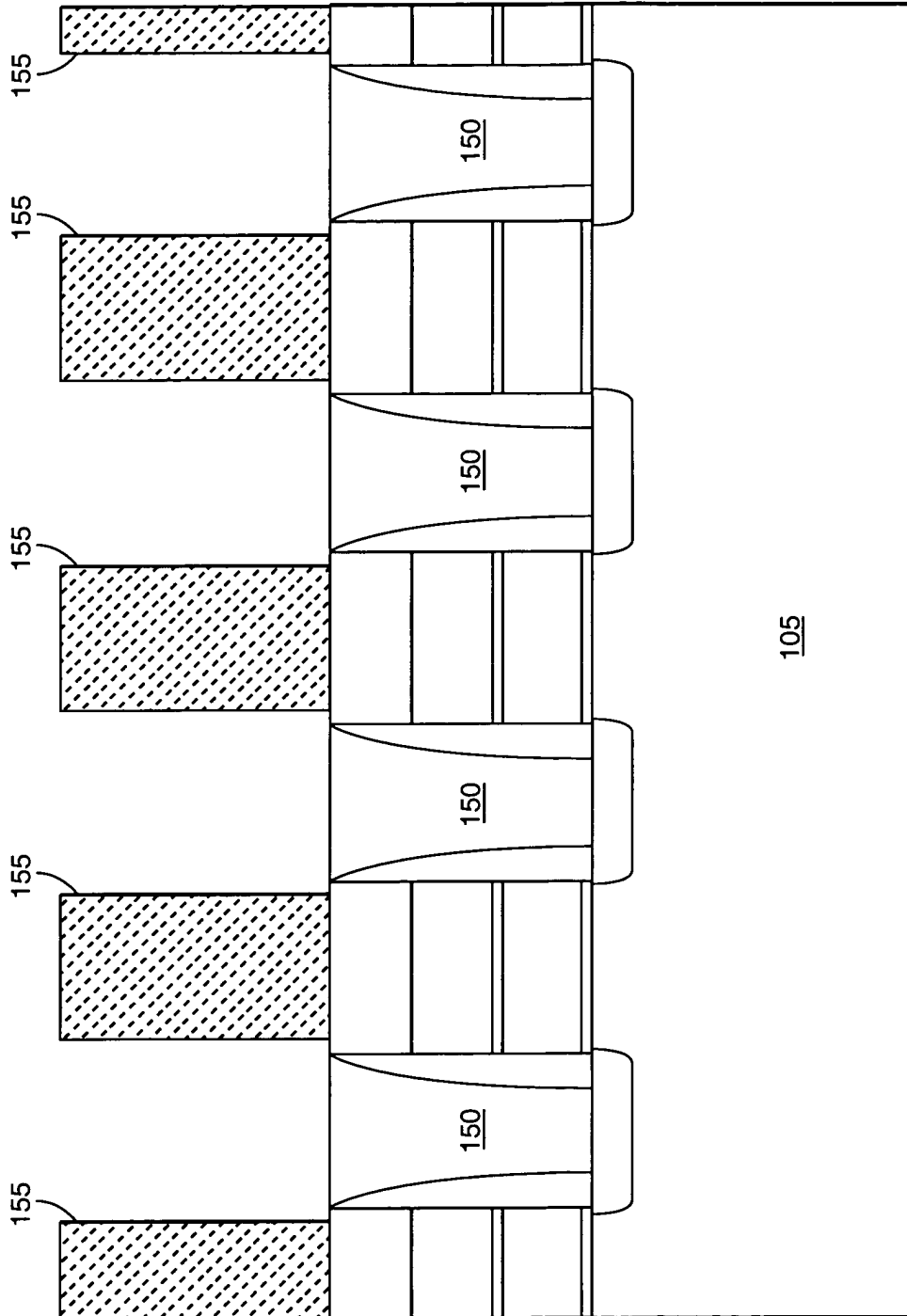
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*Fig. 1C*

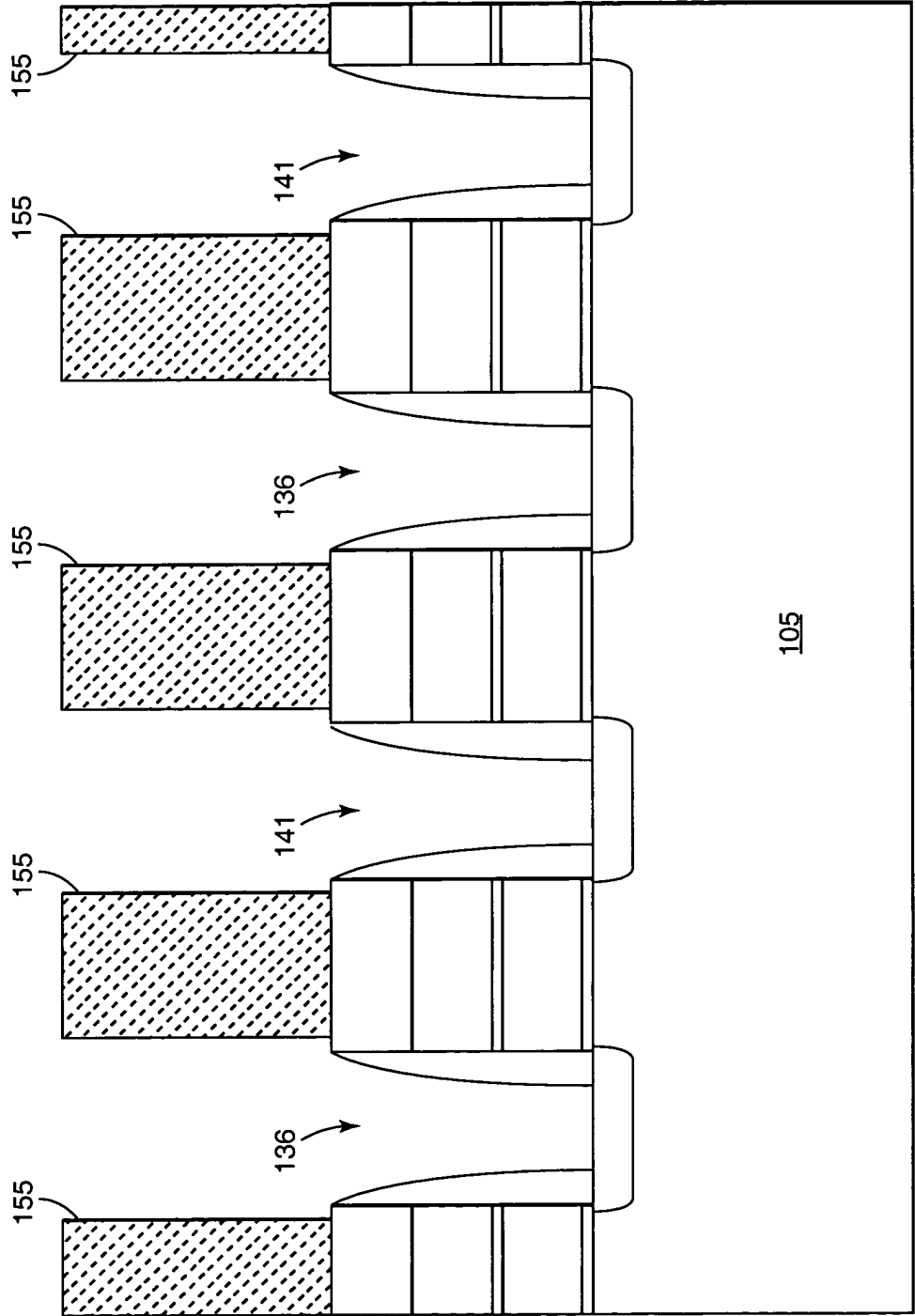
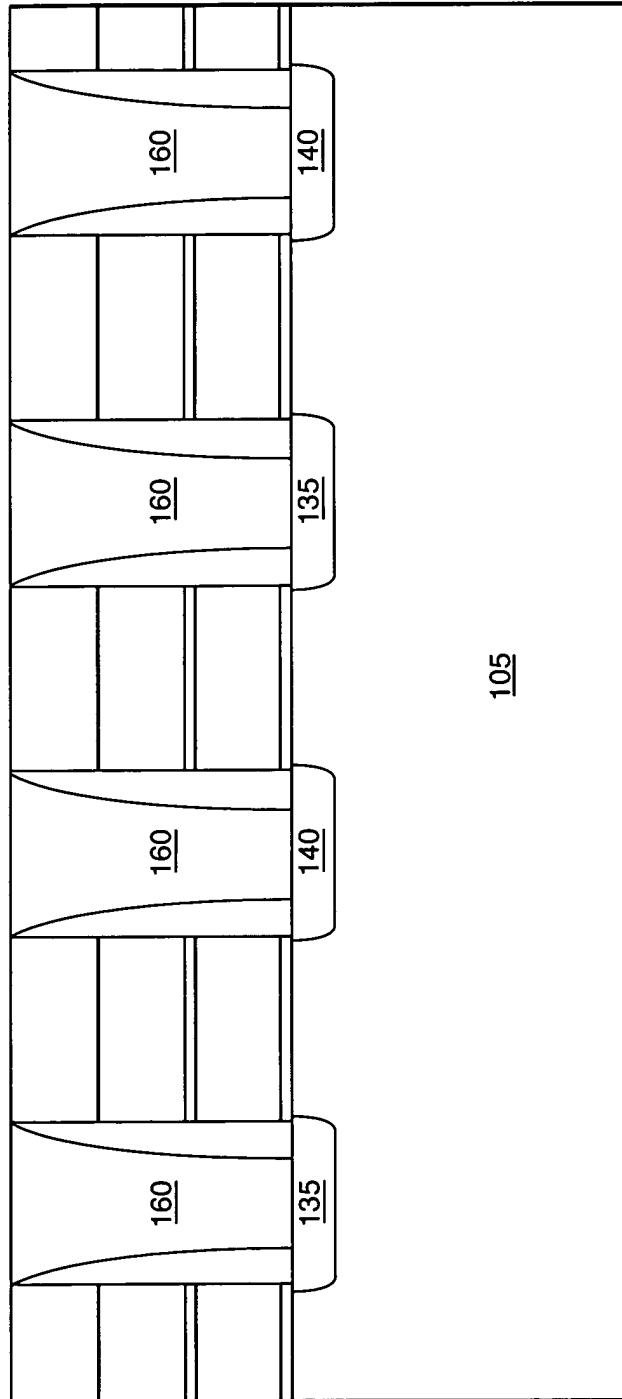


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*Fig. 1C*

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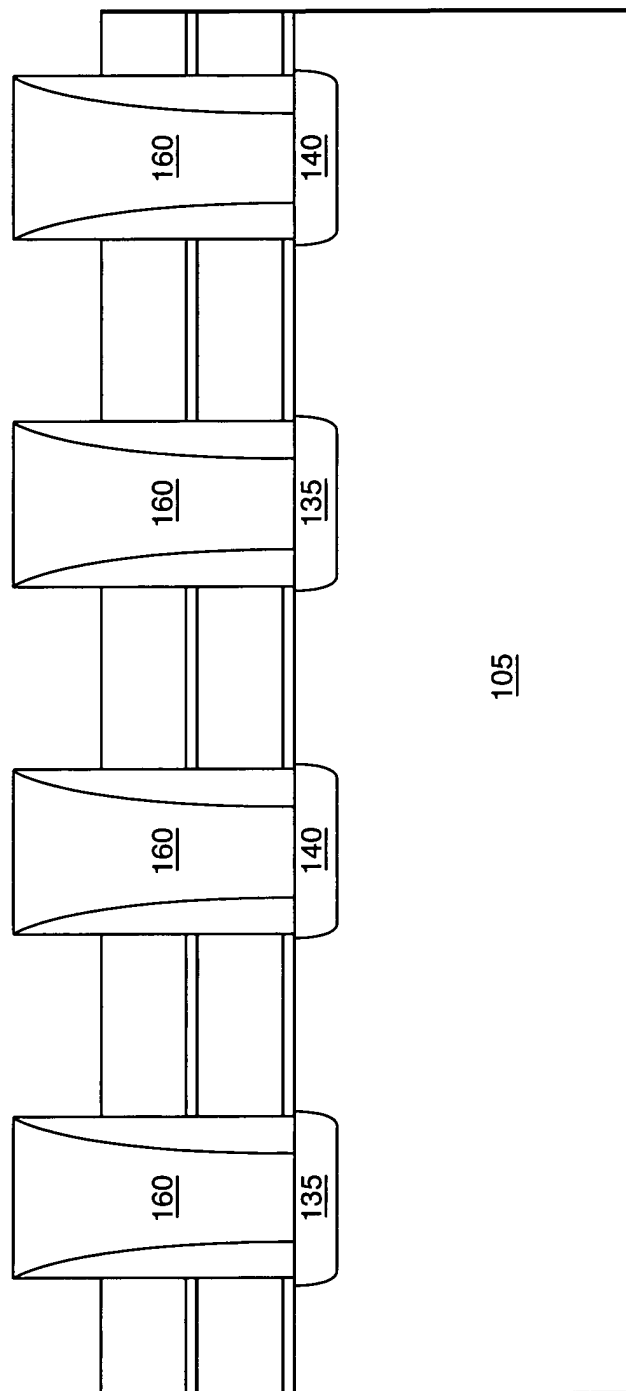
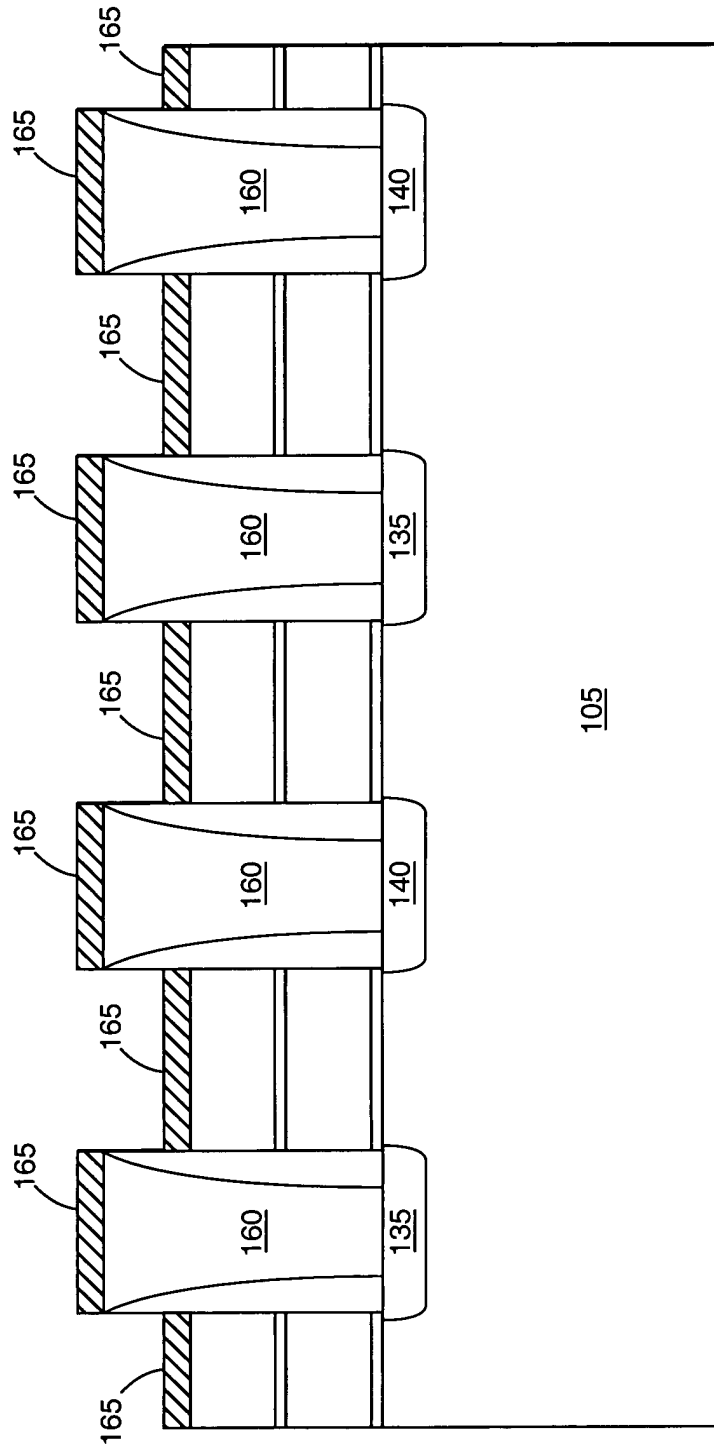


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*Fig. 1G*

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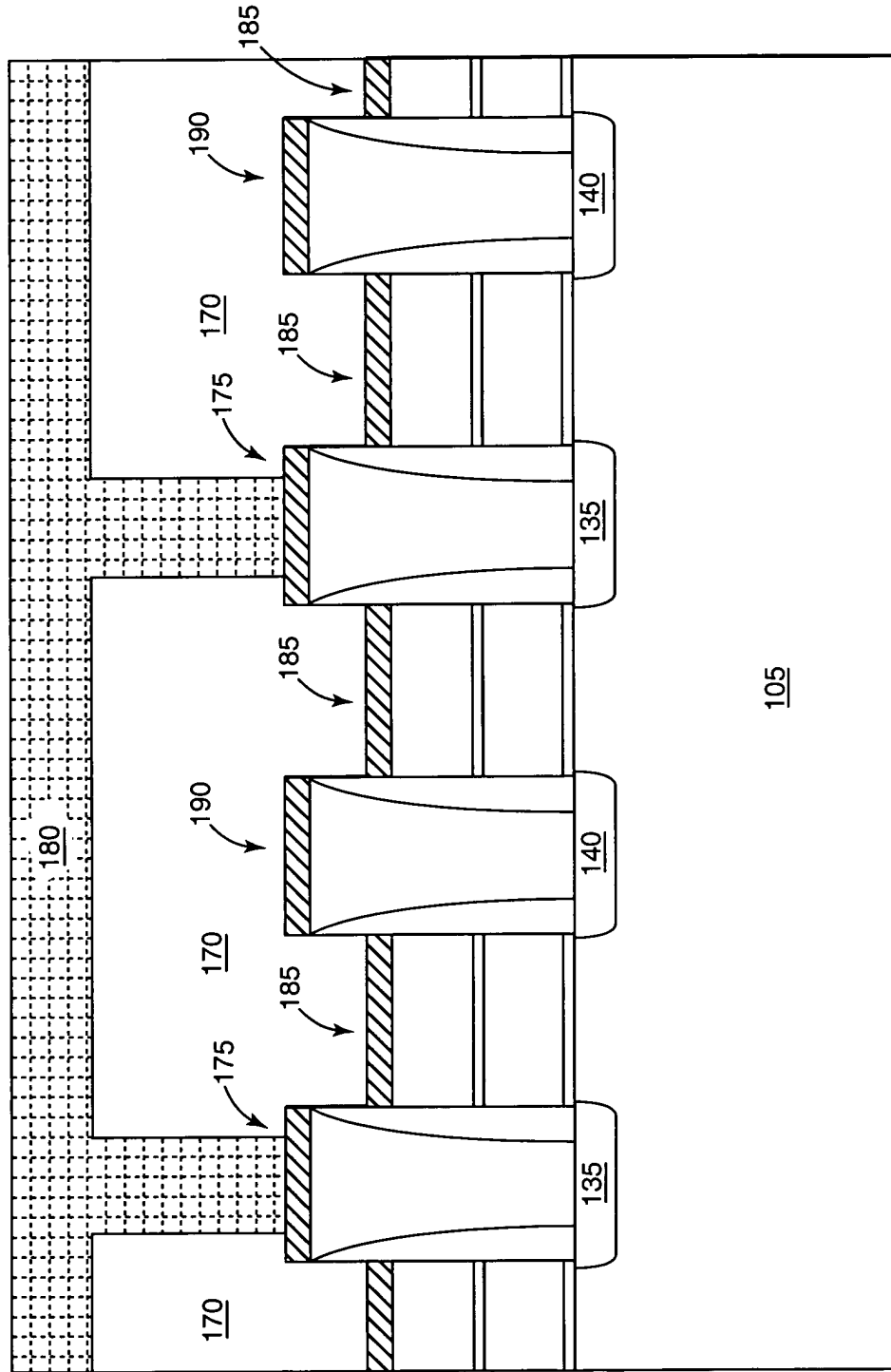
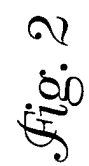


Fig. 1H





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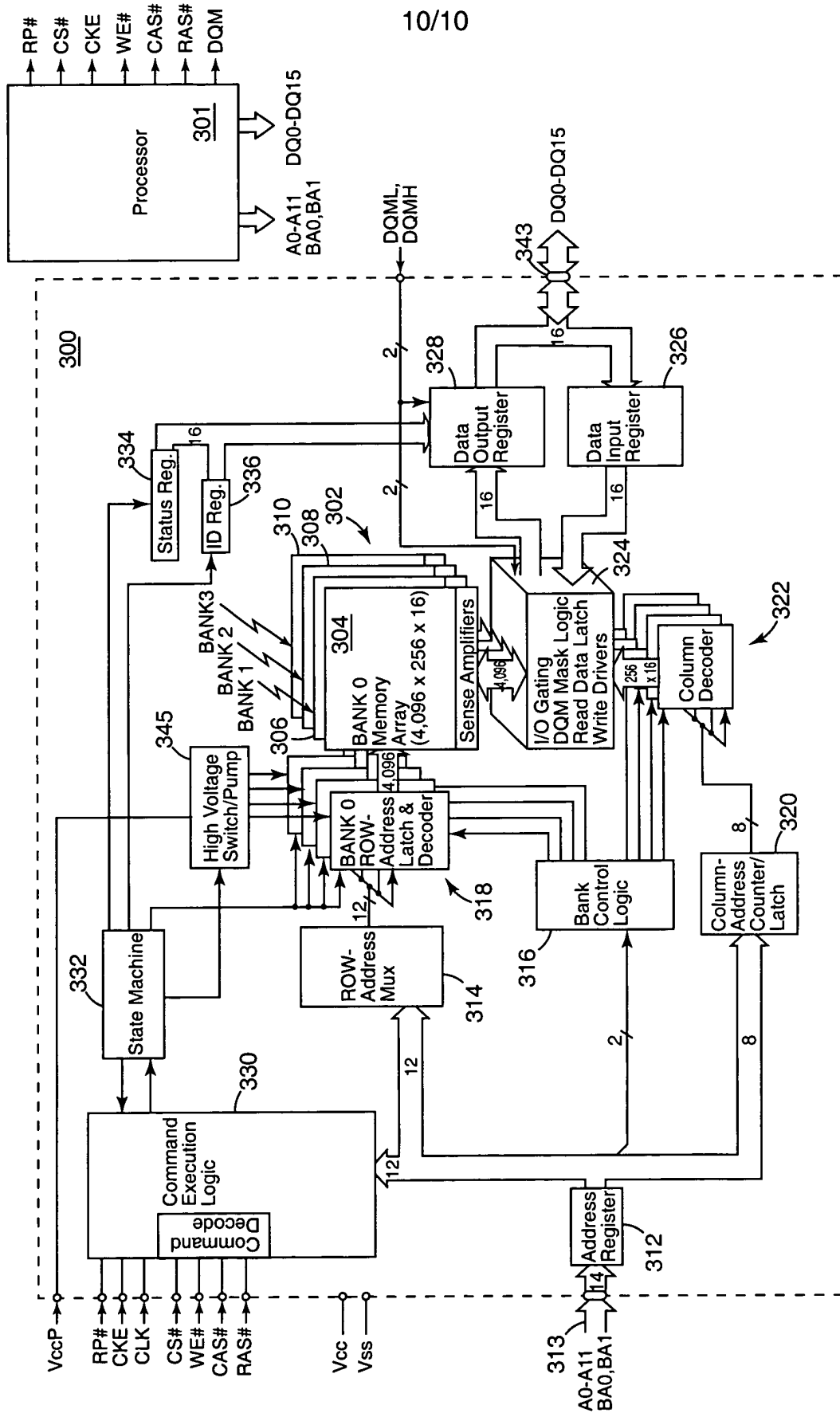


Fig. 3